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### "Ashes of Angels" Cake.

I once knew an estimable lady who in the absence of her cook undertook to make a certain kind of cake. She took "some" of one kind of ingredient, "a little" of another and "a small quantity" of something else. To her delight and surprise, the result was a cake of which neither she nor any one else had ever heard. It was an entirely new cake and an extremely delicious one. Word of her achievement, the lady gave the cake the beautiful and poetic name of "ashes of angels," and on the very next occasion when the absence of her cook made it possible for her to venture into her kitchen she tried to repeat her success.

This event happened in the year 1888, and ever since that date the unfortunate lady has been vainly trying to reproduce her wonderful cake. She has never been successful, although she has made at least 200 different varieties of cake and pudding, each one of which has been more deadly than the other. She is still hoping that one of these days she may hit upon her "ashes of angels" again, but as that cake was purely the result of chance the prospect that she will be able to make it a second time is not bright. —W. L. Alden in Pearson's Magazine.

### Not So Bad.

Dotty Thimble rushed up the stairs to Lucy Cleary's room and burst through the door.

"Isn't such a fool, after all!" she exclaimed.

"Who isn't?" asked Lucy wonderingly.

"That Gerald Thompson."

Lucy's lip curled. "What makes you think so?" she asked.

"Cause he kept us all guessing for three hours at Maria Everson's library party last night."

"Did he? How?"

"He came in with a bicycle lock tied on his shoe."

"What did that mean?"

"That's what none of us could make out until it was time to go, and then he told us and it was so simple he made us all feel like fools."

"What book was it that he represented?"

"Locke 'On the Human Understanding.' He's coming over to call tomorrow night." —Detroit Free Press.

### A Bellicose Youth.

The boy is still father to the man. A certain prominent political hustler, who, like the British tar in "Pinafore," is ever ready with his fists, showed his pugilistic taste at an early age.

The first day he went to school the family were, of course, anxious to know his impression of the new occupation.

"Well, Sammy," said his father, "what did you learn on your first day at school?"

Straightening up and assuming a bellicose attitude, Sam replied, "Father, I learned I can lick every boy in my class."

A few days later his love of pugilism and frequent battles led to his expulsion. He came home that day and surprised his good mother with the remark, "Well, mother, thank the Lord, I have been turned out!" —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Archery in a City's Streets.

The military students of Tung-Chon are a conspicuous nuisance. They have a way of using one of the main streets in the city as a convenient spot for practicing archery, and we have been repeatedly obliged to edge up to the extreme edge of the footpath to avoid possible eccentric flights of arrows.

Characteristically it never occurs to them to suspend operations for others' safety or convenience, and minor accidents must not be uncommon.

A lad was brought to the hospital the other day who had been struck by an arrow just below the eye as he was edging along the highway. He was not badly hurt and probably regarded his injury as incidental to the ordinary risks of travel on city streets. —North China Herald.

### Presentiment.

Justice of the Peace (to bride's mother as the bridegroom hesitates with his "Yes")—"Step a little farther back, madam." —Toledo Bee.

Belgian workmen are fond of cock crowing competitions. The other day one well trained bird crowed no less than 463 times in the course of an hour.

In ancient times many of the mountains of Palestine were terraced, and some of these terraces still remain.



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## USERS OF MORPHINE.

THE DRUG RAPIDLY ENLARGING ITS  
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Women in New York, Says a Physician of That City, Are Worshipping at the Shrine of the Death Deceiver in Great Numbers.

"The amount of morphine used by women in New York is increasing at an alarming rate," said a physician. "I do not give the drug at all, save in extreme cases, for I believe no doctors are largely responsible for the spread of the evil. It seems such an easy, merciful thing to relieve acute suffering by a dose of morphine, and it would be all right if the patients couldn't get the drug themselves. They can get it. There's the trouble."

"I was called to see one of my patients last week. She is a wealthy woman. She developed the morphine habit two years ago, when she had a serious illness. Since then she has had periodic spasms with morphine, in spite of all we could do to prevent her. She always says that the deplorable state she gets into is due to other causes, but I can tell, as soon as I see her, whether she has been taking morphine. Last week, when I went to see her, she was a nervous wreck and said she had been agonizing with rheumatism. Rheumatism is a handy thing. A doctor can't swear that a patient hasn't got it. I accused the woman of having been on a morphine spree. She denied it. I appealed to her husband. He searched her bureau and chiffonier and found 200 morphine pills. She had bought them all at one time, but wouldn't tell who sold them to her."

"Of course there's a law against selling morphine except on prescription, but a morphine fiend can always get it if he is persistent, and generally he is so. Any physician can tell a habitual morphine taker at a glance. So can a druggist. The latter reads the unmistakable signs in a man's face and, if he hasn't a conscience, will sell the morphine victim what he wants. The druggist knows that the purchaser will guard the secret quite as closely as he could. But, if a person with no symptoms of the morphine habit wishes to buy the drug, he will probably have great difficulty in getting it. No pharmacist, even if not particularly reputable, wants to take the chances of being hauled up for a breach of the law."

"I am constantly running across cases of the morphine habit, especially, as I said, among women. The life they lead when active socially uses up their nerves, and they take to morphine for relief until they can't get along without it. Usually they are ashamed of the habit and conceal it carefully, but sometimes they are quite open about it, take their morphine regularly and will not listen to reason. Not a month ago a beautiful young woman showed me a new chateleine ornament she had just bought. It was a remarkably handsome gold case, studded with jewels, and looked like a vinaigrette. The top opened, and inside were a tiny hypodermic syringe and tube of morphine. I said something more forcible than polite and tried to make her see the insanity of the thing, but she only laughed and told me she carried morphine pills in her chateleine bonbonniere, so that she would be all right if she happened to be where she couldn't use the hypodermic, which she preferred. I threatened to tell her husband, but she said he knew about it and didn't care. She didn't bother him, and he didn't bother her. I went to the husband, and he merely shrugged his shoulders and said he never interfered with his wife. Then I relieved my mind again and told him what I thought of him—and now there is one family less on my list of patients."

"That was an exceptional case, I said. Usually relatives and friends of a person who takes morphine do everything possible to break up the habit, but a morphine fiend is remarkable for cleverness. A great many women who don't want any one to know that they have the habit work the physicians for morphine. I know women of good family who never go more than two weeks without terrible attacks of neuralgia or rheumatism or something else that causes excruciating agony. The doctor is called in and tries to relieve the woman, but nothing relieves her until he tries morphine. If he is clever enough to see through the thing and too conscientious to help out the little farce, he gives up the case. Another doctor is called in and another, until one prescribes what is wanted. That's an old game. Many a struggling young doctor has thought his fortune made because a wealthy woman in his neighborhood called him in, but when she is seriously ill she goes back to her old doctor. She only wants the new one to prescribe morphine for her neuralgia."

"There's no excuse in the world for a doctor acquiring the morphine habit. He knows better. Yet some of the doctors do it. One famous old New York doctor used to take his morphine as regularly as he took his breakfast, and whenever he gave a hypodermic injection to a patient, he took one himself while he had the syringe out, just for sociability, I suppose. He never went to pieces under it, but I presume he would have done so in time."

"No one but a physician can realize how this special vice is increasing and how serious a problem it presents. As a class the medical profession takes a strong stand against it, but I confess I'm feeling rather discouraged. The person who takes a dose of morphine for anything within the limits of endurance is a fool—but the world is full of fools." —New York Sun.

An Illustration.

Teacher—John, illustrate the difference between sit and set.

Bright and Patriotic Boy—The United States is a country on which the sun never sets and the rest of the world never sits. —Detroit Journal.

## THE BALKY HORSE.

A Simple Scheme of the Motorman That Made Him Go.

People near the New York entrance of the bridge saw a balky horse frustrated with delightful ease the other day by a man who openly confessed that he had no practical or theoretical knowledge of horsemanship. He was the motorman of a Fourth Avenue car bound toward the terminal at the bridge. The horse was one of those angular, cockeyed, ungainly beasts that no amount of currying and feeding could make respectable.

It had stopped square in the middle of the track and had spread its feet apart as though its mind was made up to hold the street against the world. In a few minutes four trolley cars were backed up behind the car and more were in sight down Center street. Motormen, conductors, truck drivers, assorted citizens and a policeman stood around and gave the usual advice. The driver kicked the horse and two or three men called to the policeman to stop him. Then they in turn made humane suggestions about starting a fire under the beast's stomach. A woman told that it would be easy enough for any one to coax him along with a lump of sugar.

The motorman of the fifth trolley car, which had by this time reached the end of the blocked line, walked up and surveyed the situation.

"Whose car is this?" he asked, pointing to the first car that had come up behind the wagon to which the balky horse was attached.

"It's mine," said another motorman, who was fingering a brass motor handle as though he would like to brain the horse with it.

The motorman from the rear hoisted the car's front fender and trapped it in place, folded against the dashboard. "Now," he said to the motorman who had claimed the car, "go ahead, very easy." Then, turning to the disconsolate profane driver of the horse, he said, "Get up and take hold of the reins."

The car ran forward until the fender reached the tailboard of the wagon. "Now," said the self-appointed master of ceremonies to his fellow motorman, "start up as fast as you darn please, and don't stop until you get to the bridge."

The car started. The wagon started. The horse in the shafts simply had to start. He slid and shoved back for a few inches and then broke into a helpless gallop. The car came banging along behind him, giving him no chance to change his mind and balk again. The spectators cheered. The ingenious motorman looked the assembly over with a sneer.

"Say!" he said. "Say! Some people are dead slow, eh?" —New York Sun.

## THE MODERN ENGLISHMAN.

An Incident Which Aptly Illustrates His Deliberateness.

To illustrate the deliberateness of the modern Englishman let me tell of a hat which blew off a mechanic's head on the top of a bus crossing Albert bridge. A stiff breeze blew up the Thames, and the hat was whirled against the side of the bridge and then went spinning down the footway in the opposite direction from that which the omnibus pursued. "I say," said the mechanic, reaching over and touching the driver on the shoulder, "me 'at's blown off." The driver fidgeted a moment at this sudden interruption, then took a tighter grasp of the reins and clucked to the horse to quicken their pace. The hat and the vehicle sped along in opposite ways. "I say, driver," said the mechanic, "me 'at's blown off." The driver fidgeted again, but now his mind grasped the situation, though most unwillingly.

"It 'as, 'as it?" he said, turning to the man. "Well, then, that'll teach you to buy 'ats to fit your 'ead. I 'ad a ole lot of 'ats blow off before I made up me mind to get 'em to fit me 'ead. After that I 'ad no more trouble."

The hat was still bowling along and was now at the farther end of the bridge. The mechanic looked at it dully. I was in a fever of gratuitous impatience for the bus to stop or for the man to climb down. The driver turned back to his work and clucked to his horses, who quickened their gait. Just then a vagrant stopped the flight of the hat and ran and caught the bus and got a penny for his pains. So every one was happy, even I.—Julian Ralph in Harper's Magazine.

## Payn's Fearful Writing.

James Payn's chirography is something fearful to contemplate. It is simply execrable. The Academy tells a nice story about Payn's "bewildering handwriting." Miss Jane Barlow sent a poem as a first contribution to The Cornhill when Payn was its editor. Think of the lady receiving a brief line which she interpreted as follows: "I have no use for silly verses."

Of course Miss Barlow indulged in tropes there. There never was such an ill-mannered snub. Then she commenced to study the scrawl. Now came a gleam of light, for she dimly made out what it really was. "I hope to use your pretty verses."

Alas, when you are, as a poet, "declined with thanks," there is today no possibility of error, for the fatal mischievous is always typewritten.

## Feminine Features.

"While woman may have her face on the dollar," said the corned philosopher, looking thoughtfully at the coin, "yet, to tell the truth, she is more apt to have her eye on the 38 cents." —Indianaapolis Journal.

The depth of water affects the speed of steamers very considerably, the vessels moving more slowly in shallow than in deep water.

About one German woman in every 27 works in a factory.

## THE FRENCH MENAGE.

Complaint That It Is Not the Model Affair Cited For It.

An English writer who has evidently suffered invehemently against the long extolled thrift of the French housekeeper, which, if it be thrift, is, according to his notion, pernicious economy. He considers the meager messes served and reserved until the last scrap is consumed which make up the course dinner of the French people most unsatisfactory and far from appetizing. "It has been said," he quotes, "that a French housekeeper will serve a grilled chicken foot, making it a substantial course." This he denies—not the service, but the substantial part of it.

As to the soup of the provincial French home, he asserts it is not a thing to be described by the uninitiated, and it is certainly not meant for a delicate palate. It tastes like hot water in which quantities of cabbage have been boiled. "Then," he goes on to affirm, "the only dish of meat will often consist of that which has been used in the making of the soup."

This testimony is borne out by American travelers, who get very tired of soup meat as a dinner dish. For the favoring and finishing of a dish the French are doubtless unsurpassed, but the allegation that the sauce is made more important than the substantial and that the garnishing takes precedence over the dish it surrounds is not without considerable foundation. The well known story of the French cook who won a wager by serving a boot heel scraped and stewed and simmered and finally served with an entrancing sauce is a good illustration of much French cooking.

## Census Taking in China.

In China census methods are simple. They don't have much trouble to take a census there. When the time for making a count of the families and their individual members comes around, the head of each home is compelled by law to write on a slip of paper the number of individuals living with him and the name of each person. The authorities lay particular stress upon correct spelling, and there is a severe penalty attached to any misrepresentation either as to the number of persons or their names. This obviates in the beginning the wrestling with unpronounceable names which helps to make life interesting for the American census taker, and reduces the enumeration of the population of a Chinese city to a very simple process.

## Sensitive Clocks.

A Lewiston (Me.) merchant has in his store an old fashioned clock which is peculiarly sensitive. It sometimes stops, and if any one steps into the store or goes by it will start again, and if a horse steps on a certain spot in the street it will start.

A man who happened to notice it and who had one like it himself said that his would not run after he had started his furnace in the fall. In the spring, after he ceased to keep a fire, it would run all right.

## Great Lovers of Water.

The Siamese are more devoted to the water than any other nation in the world. They are nearly always bathing, generally with their clothes on, and they never go anywhere by land if they can possibly go by water. The streets of Bangkok are like those of Venice, and the inhabitants say that their idea of paradise would be a town with canals where there were currents in both directions, so that they might be spared the effort of rowing.

## Do Not Fear Sharks.

In his book on Australia, Richard Semmon declares that the prevailing ideas of danger from sharks are greatly exaggerated. Individual sharks may possibly, he thinks, develop cannibal tastes, but such are exceptions, rather than man eating tigers and crocodiles. The divers and fishermen in the Torres Strait, where big sharks abound, do not show the least fear of them.

## BEARDED WOMEN.

Designing men, through alluring and cunningly worded advertisements, constantly endeavor to work upon the feelings of sick and ailing women by inviting them "to write to a woman" and secure a woman's sympathy. It is well to remember that the best sympathy is to be had at home and not from strangers, perhaps hundreds of miles distant. The object of such letters is to get you and however precious sympathy may be, it never yet cured a seriously afflicted woman. While the sympathy of your milliner or dressmaker might be appreciated and as such beneficial, if not more so, than sympathy from a stranger, yet it can not effect your cure if you are an ailing woman. It is loudly proclaimed through the press that a woman can best understand a woman's ailments, and on this ground sick women are invited to "write to a woman" and get the benefit of a woman's advice. The sort of "understanding of her ailments" wanted by a sick woman is a trained medical understanding. If a woman has this trained medical knowledge she understands a woman's ailments not as a woman, but as a physician. If she is not a doctor she cannot understand the ailments at all, and cannot treat them successfully, because she lacks the necessary training.

As far as known, there is no regularly qualified woman physician connected with any proprietary medicine especially designed for women—no one, therefore qualified by training and experience, to advise on questions of disease and its cure. It is certain that there is no one, man or woman, connected with any "put-up" medicine for women, excepting only Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, who, like Dr. Pierce, is a regular graduated and qualified physician, and who has, like him, devoted more than thirty years to the special study and treatment of diseases of women. For more than thirty years Dr. R. V. Pierce, a regularly graduated doctor, has been chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute of Buffalo, N. Y. On his staff are nearly a score of regularly graduated, experienced, skilled physicians, each of whom is a specialist in his chosen class of diseases. Every letter addressed to Dr. Pierce as above, has prompt, conscientious attention, is regarded as sacredly confidential and is answered in a plain envelope so your private affairs are kept safe from prying eyes.

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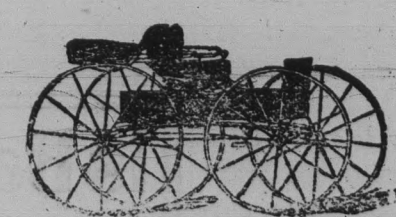
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SONOMA, JULY 8, 1899.

H. H. GRANICE - EDITOR

## The Fire.

THE fire which occurred last Monday night is the latest of the many warnings which have come to the citizens of Sonoma: "Without an abundant supply of water Sonoma is in constant danger of being destroyed by fire." When a fire takes place, the engine and firemen are at the fire and only those houses within the immediate range of the hose can be protected. If a burning brand falls on a roof outside the range of the fire-hose that house is doomed, for the water pressure is inadequate to throw a stream on to the roof of any house in Sonoma.

We need more water and at such pressure that a stream from a garden hose will reach the roofs of our dwellings and places of business.

THE outlook for our vineyardists is becoming brighter. For the past eight or ten years grapes have averaged about ten dollars per ton. Now comes Henry J. Crocker, ex-President of the California Wine Makers' Corporation, with an offer to purchase the entire grape crop of the State for the next seven years at a uniform price of \$14 per ton. Mr. Crocker is a multi-millionaire and is financially able to carry out his scheme of putting the pure sparkling wines of California on the market at something like their real value.

It was a most fortunate thing that Mr. Aguilon's private water system, which by the way is the best and only reliable system in town for fire purposes, was at the disposal of the fire ladders. Had the fire broke out in any other part of town and got the same start as last Monday's conflagration there would have been little or no water to combat the flames. It is about time the opponents of a municipal water works system, who have private axes to grind, were realizing the helplessness of this town in case of fire. Let all such cast aside self-interest and solve this water problem by voting for a municipal ownership at the bond election which no doubt will be re-submitted to the people at an early date by the Trustees, who are pledged to the municipal ownership proposition.

WHEN you are convinced that a paper is dishonest and deceitful, stop it. But don't stop a paper that you believe to be honest, courageous, enterprising and clean, simply because its editor has written his own sincere views, instead of your's or somebody else's; for if you do, you are putting a premium on insincere journalism, and serving notice on an editor that the way to success is to write what he thinks will best please his readers, instead of what he honestly believes to be the truth.—*Sitka Alaskan.*

THE fire last Monday night has now made it possible to carry the next bond election. A number of property owners who were misled into voting the wrong way on the occasion of the last election now realize the necessity of a first-class municipal water system in this town. The proposition to bond the town for \$15,000 for a water system failed last October because it lacked six votes of securing the necessary two-thirds to carry. That last Monday night's fire has made it possible to win the water fight does not now admit of a doubt. It was a lesson that will not soon be forgotten by the people of Sonoma.

Two young people from Healdsburg, says the *Tribune*, Chester Chaffee, aged 15, and Grace Osborne, aged 17, went to Santa Rosa last week bent on marriage. Deputy Clerk Hall refused to grant them a license without their parents' consent, and the match was declared off. The youngsters will probably re-don bib and pinafore until they reach a more mature age.

THE American Bible Society circulates the Scriptures in 96 tongues besides our own speech.

## PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

### Other Matters of Interest to the General Reader.

Items of a personal and social nature are thankfully received at this office.

Daily Examiner and Index-Tribune, \$8.80 per year.

J. J. Law was a business visitor in San Francisco last Monday.

E. S. Sampson was up from the metropolis Monday.

Benj. Weed was a visitor in Santa Rosa last Sunday.

Miss Margaret Church spent the 4th in San Francisco.

Henry Bates took Wednesday's train for the metropolis.

T. C. Dalton of San Francisco was in town last Monday.

T. C. Ryland after a visit to Los Gatos has returned home.

J. F. Deane of Berkeley was a visitor in Sonoma Tuesday.

W. O. Hocker and family will shortly leave on a camping trip.

Reserved seats for the lady minstrels may be secured at Dulring's.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Poppe were down from Glen Ellen last Sunday.

Ed Slattery was a business visitor at the County Seat last Monday.

Frido Clewe rode down from Howell Mountain on his wheel Wednesday.

Mrs. M. Pohley was in San Francisco several days this week on business.

Mrs. Luttrell has been the guest of Mrs. H. Wise at Glen Ellen for some time past.

C. J. Schuster and family are up north where they are enjoying the mountain air with relatives.

R. C. Vose of San Francisco, representing Baker & Hamilton, was in Sonoma last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nauman of San Francisco were presented with a baby boy last Saturday.

Mrs. Hamburg and Miss Hamburg of San Francisco are summering at the Mervyn, Glen Ellen.

Mrs. F. Wicker of San Francisco spent several days this week with her Sonoma relatives, the Rufuses.

Messrs. Hopps and Miss Mabel Hopps of Alameda were the guests of Miss Bessie Knight on the 4th.

The Lady Minstrels on Saturday evening, the 22nd, will be brimful of fine music and local hits.

Miss Olga Leichter, who has been sojourning at Rhinefarm, returned to her home in San Francisco this week.

Jep Valente came up from the metropolis Sunday and spent the Fourth with Sonoma relatives and friends.

G. H. Hotz expects to start on a trip East in the near future. Mr. Hotz will take a long and much needed rest.

Miss M. Palmer came up from her home in the Bay City and spent the 4th with her cousin Miss Vinnie Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hill and little boy returned to their city home Sunday. They were visiting Mrs. Linehan and daughter.

Will Appleton left this week for Alaska on the U. S. S. Patterson. Mr. Appleton will be gone about four months.

Messrs. Spencer and Dow were up from the Bay City Sunday. They were the guests of Miss Theo Bates and Miss Madge Nichol.

Harry and Preston Chamberlain of San Francisco were in the valley Tuesday. Messrs. Chamberlain formerly resided here.

George Bulotti came up Sunday from the metropolis and remained here several days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. V. Bulotti.

T. S. MERCHANT of Healdsburg has closed a contract with N. Bacigalupe for 180 tons of fruit at the following prices: Crawford peaches \$20 per ton; lemon clings, \$25; orange clings, \$25; sawallow, \$20; egg plums, \$20; Damsons, \$20; blackberries, \$45.

The High School Trustees meet this afternoon and will select a Principal and Vice-Principal for the ensuing school year.

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## WHAT TWO WOMEN SAW.

Two New York women stood in front of a Broadway window watching a Persian weaver laboriously weaving upon a frame, the pattern of a beautiful rug. Slowly, almost imperceptibly, threaded by thread the pattern grew beneath his hand, until what had seemed a meaningless crossing of dull threads gradually took on form and beauty. Suddenly one of the two women began to repeat the lines:

Weaving, weaving threads of faith  
Pattern of a woman's heart,  
Who can ever anticipate  
The hues of life in every part?  
Will the colors warmly glow—  
All traced in love and happiness;  
Or will they fade in somber woe?  
A woman's future who can guess?

There is infinite pathos in the way that women ponder over and try to trace out



the purpose and meaning of their lives. To young and happy women it seems as if destiny was weaving in all the colors of the rainbow like a merry dance of cupids weaving garlands about a May pole in the spring-time of life. But to thousands of women life looks to be all "a warp of sorrow in a woof of pain."

WHAT LIFE REALLY IS.

A woman's life pattern is really woven by herself. A great philosopher has said "Life is neither pain nor pleasure; it is serious business." If a woman would make it her serious business to understand herself mentally, morally and physically, using the common sense that God has given her, there would be far less misery and suffering woven into the pattern of her life. She can make it almost anything she chooses.

Every woman who wants to derive the full share of happiness, which nature intended her to find as a woman, wife and mother, ought to read that great and wise book, *The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser*, by Dr. W. C. Pierce, M. D. Several hundred of its thousand pages are devoted to the subject of woman's special physiology, telling in plain and simple language how a woman may build up her physical self to meet the emergencies of her developing career.

The author of this great book is among the most successful of living physicians. His "Favorite Prescription" is known in every corner of the civilized globe as the most remarkable supportive tonic and health creator ever devised for weak and ailing women. It invigorates the system, restores vitality to woman's delicate, special structure, and increases the vigor, endurance and recuperative force of her entire system.

A Pennsylvania lady, Mrs. Alonzo Rathmell, living at the corner of Meade and Almond Sts., in Williamsport, in a recent letter says, "Life is a story of misery. Until the birth of my boy I had health that was almost perfect. I was married in my twenty-fifth year, and two years afterward my boy was born. Then the health I boasted of was suddenly gone. Pen or tongue can never describe the awful suffering I endured for a year and a half. I was so miserable I longed for death to relieve me. When a kind neighbor came in and asked me to try a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, I said, despairingly: 'Oh, its of no use, I can't ever be any better.' She said, 'Try it, it will do you good, in despair, get a bottle, and I took it just to please him. I had not taken half a bottle when I was able to walk across the room without feeling faint or having any palpitation of the heart. Oh what a God-sent medicine is this suffering humanity. We had spent two hundred dollars with the leading doctors without any benefit whatever.'"

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For thirty years Dr. Pierce has been chief consulting physician to the "Invalids' Hotel and Sanatorium" of Buffalo, N. Y., assisted by a staff of nearly a score of skilled specialists in the different branches of medical practice. Any woman consulting him by mail will receive the best of the best professional advice anywhere obtainable. All correspondence is regarded as strictly confidential.

The magnificently illustrated "Common Sense Medical Adviser" is now published in a paper-covered edition which will be sent absolutely free for the bare cost of mailing; 21 one-cent stamps which should be sent to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, 661 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y. Or 31 stamps should be sent if a durable, heavy cloth-bound volume is preferred.

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## Card of Thanks.

The undersigned hereby extends to Chief Poppe, and his assistants, and the members of the Sonoma Volunteer Fire Company, and to the citizens of Sonoma and vicinity generally, his most heartfelt thanks for the heroic and well-directed efforts of all concerned in the protection and preservation of his property from destruction by the fire of July 3rd and 4th, 1899.

C. AGUILON.

Sonoma, July 6th, 1899.

## School Notes.

Miss Margaret Burke has been re-elected teacher of the San Luis School.

Miss Anna Wadsworth of this place has been chosen teacher of the Watmaugh School.

The Board of Education have granted certificates of graduation from the Enterprise Grammar school to Misses Grace Thompson and Mary Alsod.

Henry Rubke, Margaret Stevens and Evelyn Gearhart have successfully passed their examination for Grammar school certificates. These young people are now eligible to enter our high school.

The Summit joint school closed for the summer vacation on Friday of last week. There was an entertainment and picnic which was taken in by almost every patron of the school in the district.

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Sonoma Grammar School, held last Saturday the following teachers were selected for the ensuing six months: W. O. Hocker, principal; Miss Alice Humphreys, vice-principal; Miss Alice Bryant, intermediate department; Miss Minnie Cook, primary grade.

The following are additional graduates from the Grammar Schools of Sonoma Valley: Sonoma—Marion R. Dewey, Chester Trudgen, John Watt, Julius Fochetti, Guy Weems, Bertha M. McGinsey, Lester L. White, Chloe V. Griffith, Leland Tate, Harry Champlan, George W. Laux, Eugene McGray, Harvey—Gerald Chamberlain, Dunbar—Milton Babkir.

## An American Railroad in China.

Moneyed men from the United States have secured a franchise for building a railroad from Hong Kong to Han Kow, China, a distance of nearly 700 miles. It will run through a very fertile and rich section of country, and open up new opportunities for the people to prosper.

While railroads are necessary to a nation's prosperity, health is still more necessary. A sick man can't make money if there are a thousand railroads. One of the reasons why America is so progressive is the fact that in every drug store is sold Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, that celebrated tonic for the weak, stimulant for the kidneys, purifier for the blood, and sedative for the nerves. It is taken with great success by thousands of men and women, who are run down, weak and weary. It increases the weight of thin people, and the gain is permanent and substantial.

## County Funds.

Chairman Glynn and Auditor Wright of the Board of Examiners made the usual monthly count of the public funds Monday morning. Their report shows a surplus in the treasury of twenty-four cents as follows:

Balance June 1st, 1899 \$187,334.63

Receipts for June 9,213.08

Disbursements for June \$190,548.01

Balance July 1, 1899 \$159,001.31

Examiner's Count \$158,001.55

Surplus 999.76

## CATARH CANNOT BE CURED.

with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal medicine. Catarrh is a blood disease, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonic known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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## BILIOUSNESS

Do you get up with a headache?

Is there a bad taste in your mouth?

Then you have a poor appetite and a weak digestion. You are frequently dizzy, always feel dull and drowsy. You have cold hands and feet. You get but little benefit from your food. You have no ambition to work and the sharp pains of neuralgia dart through your body.

What is the cause of all this trouble?

Constipated bowels.

Will give you prompt relief and certain cure.

Keep Your Blood Pure.

If you have neglected your case a long time, you had better take

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also. It will remove all impurities that have been accumulating in your blood and will greatly strengthen your nerves.

Write the Doctor.

There may be something about your case you do not quite understand. Write the doctor freely; tell him how you are suffering. You will promptly receive the best medical advice. Address, Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass.

## THE SUPERIOR COURT

In the action of John F. Sims against the Petaluma Gas Light company, Judge Burnett rendered an opinion Monday in Department Two of the Superior Court. This was an action brought to recover \$4,000 for a certain water-gas apparatus furnished to defendants by plaintiff's assignors. Judgment was given for plaintiff.

Judge Burnett called the calendars in both departments of the court Monday. These matters were disposed of in department one: Fannie Dunn was appointed executrix without bonds of the will of Thomas M. Dunn, the will being admitted to probate.

Leopold Justi was appointed executor of the will of the late Maria C. Justi. No bonds were required. The will was admitted to probate.

The final account was settled and distribution ordered of the estate of Letitia Chambers.

A. Larsson was appointed administrator in a bond of \$1000 of the estate of Samuel Larsson.

L. S. Beidle was appointed guardian of the estate of John J. Howard in a bond of \$250.

The final accounts were settled and distribution was ordered of the estates of Frederick Trump and Sarah E. Bones.

The fourth annual account of the estate of Frank Loranger was settled and allowed.

An order was made setting aside the property to the widow on the estate of Samuel N. Bailey.

The order of discharge of the former guardian was made in the matter of the estate of Calvin P. Davis.

The matter at issue in the action of Louise Engleke against Louis Engleke was continued to July 10. In Department Two.

George W. Layman was arraigned and he will enter his plea on July 13th.



LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

Daily Call and Index-Tribune, \$7.00 per year.

Fred. Goess is visiting San Francisco friends.

Supervisor T. C. Putnam was here this week.

Daily Chronicle and Index-Tribune, \$8.25 per year.

Tony Nufer made a business trip to Sebastopol Thursday.

Frank Weaver drove up to the City of Roses Monday.

J. S. Washburn was down from Santa Rosa on business Tuesday.

Fred. and Henry Carriger drove up to Santa Rosa last Monday.

Miss Nettie Marcy spent Sunday with her parents on Broadway.

Robt. A. Pope was in Santa Rosa Monday on legal business.

Mrs. M. K. Cady and Miss Sarah Cady spent the 4th at Glen Ellen.

E. Tucker of Oroville spent several days this week in Sonoma.

George Carr and Preston Smith, former Sonoma boys, were here on the 4th.

Fred. T. Duhring transacted legal business at the County Seat Monday.

Geo. Barnum and Mark Hamilton left for Chico Friday on a business trip.

Miss DeSouze has an elegant line in millinery goods. See them for yourselves.

Fred. Lemmon of Santa Rosa rode down on his wheel to Glen Ellen Tuesday.

Miss Loretta Muldry is spending a short vacation with San Francisco relatives.

Benj. Weed was sworn in and took his seat on the County Board of Education last Saturday.

The Misses Lewis and a party of friends drove over from Petaluma to Agua Caliente Springs Tuesday.

Miss Jeanette Goess is up from San Francisco on a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Goess.

Jake Munfrey was up from the Bay City Sunday and spent the day with Sonoma relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spiegle and Miss Stina Fisher of San Francisco spent the Fourth with Mrs. Fisher of this place.

Mrs. Ricci and daughters and Miss Ena Toroni were in San Francisco several days this week visiting friends.

Miss Bessie Goodwin, Vernon Goodwin and Jim Edwards of Santa Rosa spent the 4th at Wright's beach.

Kurt Schluss was in town this week. Mr. Schluss has a position in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the Union Iron Works, San Francisco.

Miss Belle Murphy of San Francisco was entertained by Mrs. M. A. Johnson and daughters at Glen Ellen one day this week.

Robinson & Farrell, 711-715 Main street, Petaluma, have just what you need in handsome surreys. They handle all the Studebaker wagons.

Miss Loretta Monahan, after a several weeks' visit with her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. M. Muldry, returned to her city home last week.

Austin Keogh and wife of Alameda spent Sunday in Sonoma. They were on a visit to Mr. Keogh's mother prior to their departure for Castle Craig, Shasta county.

Miss Madge Nichol and Miss Theo. Bates spent Friday afternoon at Schellville, where they were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Arch Cook and Mrs. Wilson.

The morning sermon at the Congregational Church Sunday, July 9th, will be on National and Civil questions apropos to the Fourth of July. An invitation is extended to the public.

George Spanning of South Sea Island fame was married this week to Miss L. Cervieres in San Francisco. George has many Sonoma friends who extend congratulations.

Gus Haraszthy, after an absence of several years in Southern California, visited Sonoma several days this week. While here he was the guest of his mother Mrs. A. F. Haraszthy. Gus is now interested in oil lands in San Bernardino county, which he will shortly develop.

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**FIRE IN THE  
HEART OF TOWN.**

A Disastrous Conflagration  
Narrowly Averted.

Three Barns and a Carriage  
Shed Destroyed—Loss About  
\$1500.

The cry of "Fire" and the clanging of the alarm bell at 9:15 last Monday night struck terror into the hearts of our people. Rushing out upon the streets they discovered lurid flames issuing from a large barn in the rear of Aguilon's winery on First-street West. One glance at the flames, which now and then were fanned into leaping tongues of fire by the fitful blasts of a northwesterly wind, would have convinced anyone that the western half of the town was doomed to destruction.

The firemen with their apparatus and crowds of volunteer fire-fighters were on the ground in an amazingly short space of time. Then commenced a contest for the mastery, with grit, brawn and muscle on the one side and the fire demon on the other. The fire-fighters got in between the burning barn and other rear buildings and the structures on the main street. They held their ground and fought the flames with dogged determination for nearly an hour before they succeeded in getting the fire under control.

It was a most narrow escape from one of the most disastrous conflagrations ever recorded in the town's history. Unlike most of the fires that have occurred in Sonoma it is definitely known that this fire was not of incendiary origin, but was the result of an accident.

Orello Roval, an employee of C. Aguilon, who occupied a room in the barn, had undressed and was about to go to bed. He was seen to rush from the building, the interior of which was in flames, in almost a state of nudity and with a cry of "fire! fire!" he ran out into the street and across the plaza and rang the fire bell. Shortly after he was seized with a fit, brought on by the excitement, and for hours remained in a semi-conscious state, since which time he has not been in a condition to tell just how the fire started. It is presumed, however, that while he was in the act of retiring a lamp must have been overturned, or possibly a lighted match may have been the cause of the sudden outburst of flames.

When the fire-fighters reached the scene the flames had complete possession of the interior of the barn. In a short time, so intense was the heat, which received an impetus from fitful and heavy gusts of wind, an adjacent wagon shed, two barns, one belonging to A. J. Van Every and the other to Mrs. Goethe, were also a mass of flames.

At this period of the fire the heat was intense and it was momentarily expected that the flames would communicate with Mr. Aguilon's distillery, located forty feet south of the burning barns. By the heroic efforts of the fire-fighters and the fortunate presence of a large willow tree alongside the distillery the fire was kept within bounds. Had this structure caught fire nothing could have saved that part of town from Aguilon's corner to the Union Livery Stables.

When the fire was at its height an explosion took place inside one of the burning barns and myriads of cinders, many of them as large as a man's hand, were blown by the wind all over the town. Many of the lighted cinders fell in back yards and on the house tops and a number of incipient fires were started in different parts of town. The most dangerous of these was in the rear of Hotz's store on Napa street, which was discovered by Mr. Hotz and put out just in the nick of time to prevent the destruction of the principal business block of Sonoma.

The firemen and citizens generally worked heroically to prevent the spread of the flames, which threatened to communicate with the City Hotel, Hoy's wash house, and some half-dozen outbuildings all at one time. At this stage of the fire they flattered and deserted their posts to escape the heat of the fierce flames and the smothering smoke every building on First-street West would have been doomed and perhaps the entire business portion of town.

The loss will be between \$1000 and \$2000. In the Goethe barn 14 tons of hay, belonging to Louis Ferrario, were stored. This was entirely consumed. In the other barns small quantities of hay, harnesses, feed cutters, etc., were also consumed. Four horses and a number of vehicles in the three barns were saved. Messrs. Van Every and Ferrario were uninsured but their loss was trifling compared to that of Mr. Aguilon whose premises were insured.

**SONOMA VALLEY'S  
FOURTH OF JULY.**

People of Glen Ellen Do  
Themselves Proud.

The Celebration and Ball at  
the Park a Grand Success—  
The Games.

The 123rd anniversary of the independence of the United States was fittingly celebrated by the people of Sonoma Valley. To Glen Ellen most of the credit is due for the grand success. For it was in Glen Ellen where the celebration was held and it was Glen Ellen people who planned and carried it out. Patriotic fervor fairly glowed on this occasion. Our local patriots had hearts not only loyal to our country for achievements past, but they were fired by the zeal of our more recent successes. They were wrought with the enthusiasm of our late war victories at Manila and Santiago de Cuba. In their mind's eye before all others were Washington of the past, Dewey of the present—Washington emblematic of the birth of liberty, Dewey emblematic of American heroism, power and progress. Imbued with such a spirit they could not contain themselves. As American people all over the country celebrated so did the people of Sonoma Valley.

Glen Ellen was gaily decorated in the national colors and its natural picturesqueness united admirably with the trimmings of flags and bunting. The large iron bridge on the north approach to the town was elaborately trimmed and the picnic grounds and all the business houses showed their colors—the only colors—red, white and blue.

At the entrance to the park a flag pole 103 feet high had been erected and here Miss Melvina Martens, the fair Goddess of Liberty, presided at the raising of the Stars and Stripes. After this ceremony the Goddess, on a handsome float surrounded by her most gracious ladies in waiting and accompanied by several decorated carriages and an admiring crowd of spectators, went to the pavilion in the park. Here the regular order of exercises were held. Rev. A. J. Scott delivered the prayer, Wm. Sherman read the Declaration of Independence, Miss Claire Hope sang the Star Spangled Banner and Hon. J. C. Sims delivered a most appropriate and masterly oration.

After the conclusion of the exercises there were games, dancing and a basket picnic. The greatest interest was manifested in all the games. The events which attracted the greatest attention being the foot races, the tug of war and the baseball game. The following was the programme of events with the names of the winners:

Half-mile foot race, free to all, prize \$5, seven entries; won by C. D. Ward.

100-yard dash, free to all, prize, \$2.50, six entries; won by O. Pedigo.

Egg race for young ladies under 16 years; prize, order for crayon portrait, 16x20, 6 entries; won by Miss Nellie Wright.

Sack race for boys under 16 years; prize, order for one dozen cabinet photographs, eight entries. First heat resulted in a tie between Emil Cornelius and Tom Mullen, but second heat gave decision to the latter.

Tug-of-war; prize \$5.00. The competing teams were the "Sonoma's" and the "Glen Ellen's." After a stubborn contest the prize was won by the "Sonoma's."

The principal event was the baseball game between the Sonoma and Bennett Valley nines. Seven innings were played and the game lasted two hours. The score stood 15 to 8 in favor of the Bennett Valley's. Umpire, R. M. Sims.

Until 5:30 o'clock p. m. the day's festivities kept up. In the evening there was a grand ball, at which many were present. The great number of outing parties and campers in the valley helped swell the crowd on this occasion and they made merry and unloosened their patriotism with the rest. The Natal Day altogether was better celebrated by the Sonoma and Glen Ellen people than by any other people in the county.

**A Child Enjoys**  
The pleasant flavor, gentle action, and soothing effect of Syrup of Figs when in need of a laxative, and if the father or mother be constive or bilious, the gratifying results follow its use; so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

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**THE CITY DADS.**

John Wagon Elected Sexton  
of Mountain Cemetery.

New Bicycle Ordinance Intro-  
duced—Bills Allowed—Other  
Matters.

A regular meeting of the Board of City Trustees was held last Wednesday evening. Trustees Duhring, Seipp and Harris were present, and Trustees Hartin and Davis absent, the former owing to illness. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and approved, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

John D. Wagon, labor.....	\$ 13.00
Wm. Green, lumber.....	2.58
D. Valente, cleaning fire apparatus.....	11.00
Sonoma Electric Light Co., 4 ght.....	35.75
H. H. Granice, printing and supplies.....	4.40
A. Caminala, contract.....	24.50
J. H. Albertson, salary.....	15.00
L. Quartaroli, expense of firemen.....	4.00
Fred. Joy, sprinkling streets.....	56.00
Sonoma Volunteer Firemen, watchmen.....	8.00
Total.....	\$147.63

The Clerk presented his annual statement showing the financial condition of the City of Sonoma for the fiscal year ending July 1st, 1899, which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A communication from Mr. C. Aguilon offering to convey to the City of Sonoma the strip of land formerly Turkey street, between First-street West and Second-street East, upon certain conditions, was read by the Clerk and placed on file.

Two applications to be appointed Sexton of Mountain Cemetery, vice John Revie, whose term has expired, were received from John D. Wagon and William Trudgen and read by the Clerk. On motion the Board proceeded to elect a Sexton by ballot and John D. Wagon having received a majority of the votes was declared duly elected Sexton for the ensuing year.

A proposed ordinance to be known as "Ordinance No. 63," and amending section 1 of Ordinance No. 47 entitled "An Ordinance for the protection of pedestrians and others," was introduced by Trustee Harris, read by the Clerk, and passed to a second reading.

The Board then discussed the provisions of the pound ordinance, but took no action in relation to the matter. The President and Clerk promised to investigate the subject and report to the Board at the next meeting.

No further business appearing the Board adjourned.

**ANOTHER ASYLUM ESCAPE.**

Fred. Towll Skips from the  
Napa Insane Asylum but is  
Recaptured.

A young man about nineteen years of age named Fred. Towll escaped from the Napa Insane Asylum one day last week. Towll had been confined in that institution but a few months and was at times desperate, being subject to fits. While out whitewashing a fence he "flew the coop," and was not heard of until last Sunday, when a message was received at the asylum from Glen Ellen stating that Towll had been recognized and captured in that place. Immediately upon receiving the message three of the asylum officials started for Glen Ellen. They drove through this place on their return to Napa with their man Sunday evening.

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